

### MONTGOMERY GI BILL

REF-MGIB MANUAL, MARADMIN 208/01, MCTFS CODES MANUAL

### What is the MGIB?



The Montgomery GI Bill-

Active Duty is an educational assistance program enacted by Congress to attract high quality men and women into the Armed Forces. The MGIB provides education and training opportunities to eligible persons.

# Veterans Education Assistance Program (VEAP) CH32

- Members that entered ACDU after Dec 31, 1976 but before July 1, 1985 are entitled to VEAP
- The 1st open window to convert to MGIB was from Oct 9, 1996 to Oct 8, 1997
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> open window to convert to MGIB from Nov 1, 2000 to Oct 31, 2001
- Member must have contributed into VEAP account between Jan 1, 1977 to Jun 30, 1985
- <u>VEAP Participants -Open window to convert to MGIB is now CLOSED!</u>

# Montgomery GI Bill Active Duty (Chapter 30)

For members on active duty participation in to the GI Bill is Optional but once the member has declined to enroll in to the program they wont be able to enroll at a later time. Member who decide to enroll a monthly deduction of \$100 will be deducted from their pay for a total of 12 months and a grand total payment of \$1,200. This contribution is nonrefundable unless an erroneous entry was reported.(to correct this read chapter 5-85 of the PRIM) Members enrolled in full-time education Receive 36 months of coverage the MGIB is now worth \$23,400

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The MGIB program provides up to 36 months of education benefits. This benefit may be used for degree and certificate programs, flight training, apprenticeship/on-the-job training and correspondence courses. Remedial, deficiency, and refresher courses may be approved under certain circumstances. Generally, benefits are payable for 10 years following your release from active duty. If you reenter active duty for 90 days or more after becoming eligible. The extension ends 10 years from the date of separation from the later period.

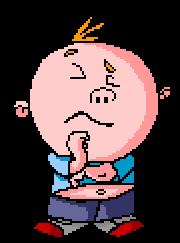
As of Oct 1st 2003 the monthly rate for a full time student is \$985

### **ELIGIBILITY**

- You may use the MGIB while on AD after you complete 24months of AD, and elected to participate in the MGIB program.
- Officers are eligible to participate in the MGIB as long as they did not receive an ROTC scholarship when they attended the academy. (this is usually stated in the Marines DD214)
- You may be an eligible veteran if you got an Honorable Discharge, you have A High School Diploma or GED or, in some cases 12 hours of college credit, and elected to participate in the MGIB program by signing a DD2366.

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- You are a service academy graduate, or an ROTC scholarship graduate who received more than the current minimum amount allowed for enrollment in MGIB,
- You are not eligible if you are a prior service member.



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#### MONTGOMERY GI BILL ACT OF 1984 (MGIB) (Chapter 30, Title 38, U.S. Code) BASIC ENROLLMENT PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT AUTHORITY: Chapter 30, Title 38, U.S. Code, Sections 3011, 3012, 3018A, and 3018B; and EO 9397. PRINCIPAL PURPOSE(S): To document the understanding of members about their eligibility or lack of eligibility for benefits under the Montgomery GI Bill Act of 1984 (MGIB) and document a member's election to decline enrollment for benefits under the MGIB. ROUTINE USE(S): To the Department of Veterans' Affairs to ascertain an individual's eligibility to claim benefits under the MGIB. DISCLOSURE: Voluntary; however, failure to provide the requested information will result in the individual being automatically enrolled in 1. SERVICE MEMBER DATA NAME (LAST, First, Middle Initial) SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (SSN) 2. STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING FOR INBLIGIBLE MEMBERS I am NOT eligible for the MGIB because (a) I am a service academy graduate, or (b) I am an ROTC scholarship graduate who received more than the current minimum amount allowed for enrollment in MGIB, or (c) I am a prior service member who diservolled during my previous term of active duty. a. SERVICE MEMBER SIGNATURE b. RANK/GRADE c. DATE SIGNED (YYYYMMOD) 3. STATEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING FOR ALL ELIGIBLE MEMBERS (1) I am automatically enrolled unless I exercise the option to DISENROLL by signing Item 5 below. (2) UNLESS I DISENROLL from the MGIB, my basic pay will be reduced \$100 per month, or the current monthly rate until \$1,200 has been deducted; this basic pay reduction CANNOT be REFUNDED, SUSPENDED OR STOPPED, this is an IRREVOCABLE DECISION. (3) I must complete 36 months of active duty service (24 months if my enlistment is for less than 36 months) before I am entitled to the current rate of monthly benefits. The MGB provides benefits for a period of 36 months. (4) I understand I am eligible for an increased monthly benefit by contributing an additional amount, not to exceed 9600 while on active duty. Once I separate, I cannot contribute. (5) I must receive an HONORABLE discharge for service establishing entitlement to the MGIB. This DOES NOT include "under honorable (6) I must complete the requirements of a secondary school diploma or equivalency certification, or successfully complete the equivalent of 12 semester hours in a program of education leading to a standard college degree before applying for benefits with the Department of (7) I have 10 years from date of last discharge from active duty to use MGIB benefits. (8) If I die while on active duty, or within one year after discharge or release from active duty if service related, my designated beneficiary(ies)will receive the unused balance of the money reduced from my basic pay for the MGIB. This death benefit will be paid by the Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA). (9) I cannot receive any combination of DVA educational banefits in excess of 48 months. (10) I must complete at least 24 months of a 3 year active duty service obligation and if my obligation is 2 years I may join and serve honorably in the Selected Reserve for a minimum of 48 months to qualify for the current active duty benefit rate. A lone) period of service CANNOT qualify me for both active and reserve MGIB benefits. a. SERVICE MEMBER SIGNATURE b. RANK/GRADE c. DATE SIGNED (YYYYMMDD) 4. SERVICE UNIQUE EDUCATION ASSISTANCE OPTIONS 5. STATEMENT OF DISENROLLMENT I DO NOT desire to participate in MGIB. I understand the benefits of the MGIB program and that I WILL NOT be able to enroll at a later date. a. DATE SIGNED (YYYYMMDD) b. RANK/GRADE c. SERVICE MEMBER SIGNATURE 6. CERTIFYING OFFICIAL b. RANK/GRADE c. SIGNATURE d. DATE SIGNED a. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME (LAST, First, Middle Initial) (YYYYMMDD)

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### Early Separations

- A discharge or release for one of the following reasons could result in a reduction of the required length of ACDU
- Convenience of the government
- Disability
- Hardship
- Pre-existing medical condition
- Medical condition that interferes with duty
- Certain reduction in force

If you are separated from service for one of these reasons, you may still be entitled to education benefits Fundactha Mell Bou served on ACDU, you will receive one month of education benefits



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- The "buy up" allows members to increase the amount of their MGIB by adding an additional \$600 to their already existing \$1,200. Only members on active duty can contribute (to their military branch) in increments of \$20 up to \$600. Members can also decide to make a lump sum payment.
- It's been in effect since May 1st 2001
- Once the \$600 have been paid it will increase the total amount of the MGIB by \$5,400.

# frequently asked questions & problems

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- Q-There is no DD2366 in the SRB what do we do?
- A- Request a copy of the OMPF, instructions can be found in the IRAM Chapter 1 page 1-3
- Q-SNM discharged from boot camp and wants to elect?
- A-SNM can participate, as long as, at the time of initial entry he or she elected to participate

### INFO

Reserves 1st time on ACDU need to be given the opportunity to elect MGIB

Prior service reserves need to be given the opportunity to elect to the MGIB

Prior service already paid into the MGIB may elect the "buy up" with approval by CMC

MGIB and "Buy-Up" cannot be deducted at the same time.

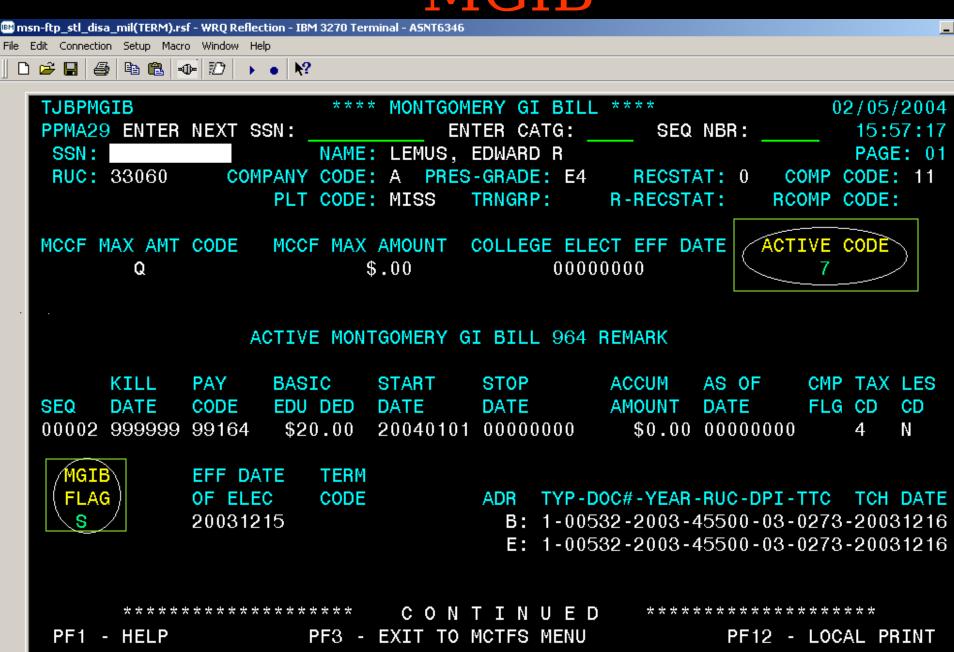


For erroneous election, PG11 entry must be inputted and a new DD2366 must be done. TTC 273001 must be re-reported with correct info NOT DEL\ERR Reporting units only have access to input MGIB on 1st term Marines only. For all others you must sent a request to MISSO for action.

## Screens that can help with your research are:

- MGIB
- ENLM
- D600

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### MGIB STATUS CODES

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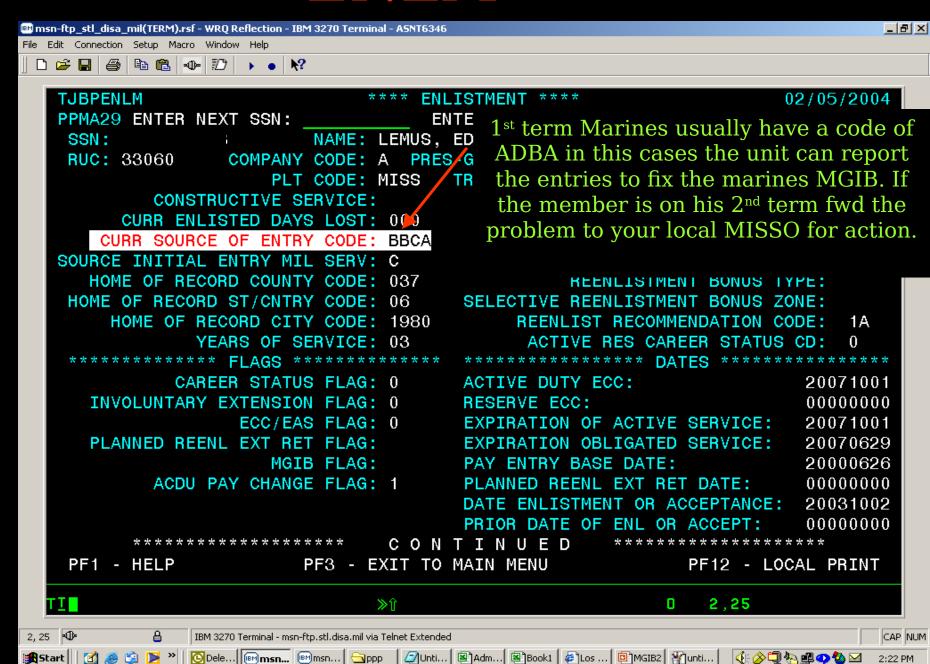
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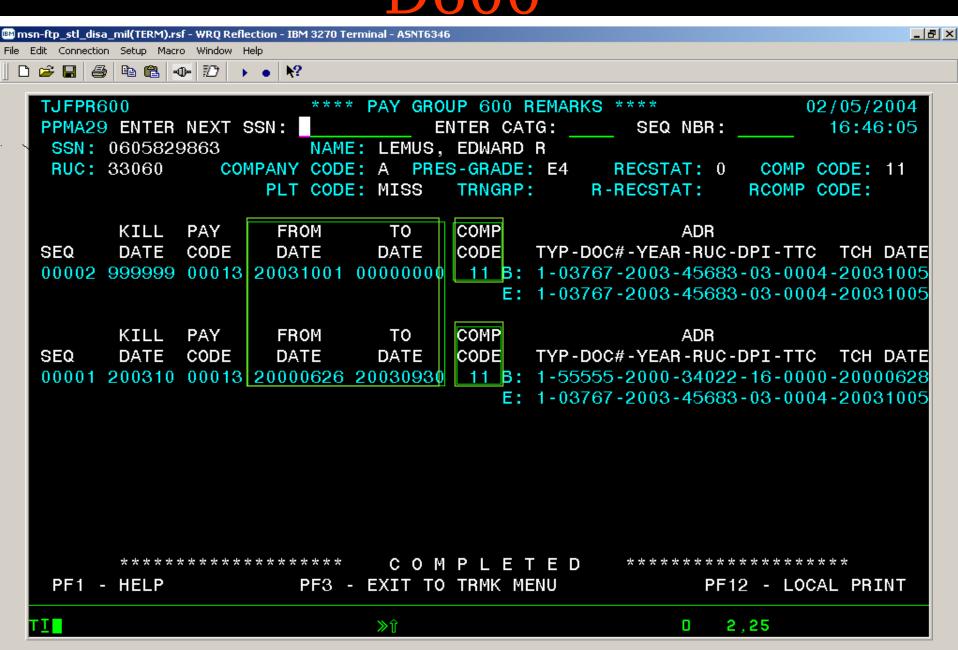
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## MICROSOFT EXCEL MGIB LIST

• An MGIB List will be sent out to each unit once a month. The names that appear on the list, do not have an MGIB election reported on them.

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### STEPS TO FOLLOW

• Step 1 Locate the DD Form 2366 and DD Form 214 (if applicable), in the Marines SRB or OQR.

Step 2 Once Located fax to MISSO-03 at DSN 365-6974 or Comm 760 725-6974. To be reported on diary.

Step 3 If there is no DD Form 2366, a copy of the Marines OMPF needs to be requested.

Step 4 If the OMPF returns without the DD 2366 on it, you must have the Marine fill out a new DD2366 and follow step 2.

Without following these steps this will result with the unit receiving an advisory on their Diary Feedback Report (DFR) stating- NO MGIB ELECTION FOR THIS MARINE PLEASE RESEARCH AND TAKE THE APPROPRIATE ACTION

## IF YOU HAVE ANY? OR CONCERNS

- E-Mail us at MISSO@PENDLETON.USMC.MIL
- Or look us up in the Global Address under SMB PENDLETON MISSO
- Our phone numbers are
   (760)-725-5204/5701/5233

   DSN 365-5204/5701/5233
- For additional information on the MGIB just visit http://www.gibill.va.gov

